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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

SAKATA ET AL.

Examiner

Tu X Nguyen

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 March 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 3 and 5, have been considered but are moot in previous ground rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

3. Claims 1-7, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Shimomura et al. (US Patent 6,526,580).

Regarding claim 1, Shimomura et al. disclose a receiving device, comprising:

a broadcast receiving section receiving data by broadcast means (see col.7 lines 35-46, "ATSC digital television receiver circuit" corresponds to "broadcast receiving section");

a data accept section accepting the data by communication means (see col.14 lines 54-56); wherein:

said broadcast receiving section receives common information common to a plurality of receiving devices (see col.2 lines 26-39); and

said data accept section accepts inherent information inherent to the receiving device, said inherent information complementing said common information and not

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being in said common information (see col.14 lines 54-56, "narrow band connection for ecommerce applications such as purchase orders" corresponds to "inherent information not being included in common information).

Regarding claim 2, Shimomura et al. disclose everything as claim 1 above. More specifically, Shimomura et al. disclose the common, inherent information necessary when the data is accepted by the communication means (see col.4 lines 22-37);

a write section writing said common information and said inherent information (see 520, 550 fig.6a).

Regarding claim 3, Shimomura et al. disclose a receiving device, comprising:

a broadcast receiving section receiving data by broadcast means (see col.7 lines 35-46, "ATSC digital television receiver circuit" corresponds to "broadcast receiving section");

a data accept section accepting the data by communication means (see col.14 lines 54-56); wherein:

said broadcast receiving section receives permanent information which does not change with the passage of time (see col.13 lines 10-45); and

said data accept section accepts variable information which changes with the passage of time (see col.14 lines 40-55 "SMS" and "transactions" corresponds to "changes with the passage of time"), said variable information complementing said permanent information and not being included in said permanent information, (see col.14 lines 54-56, "narrow band connection for ecommerce applications such as

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purchase orders" corresponds to "inherent information not being included in common information).

Regarding claim 4, Shimomura et al. disclose information indicating links of the hypertext (see col.6 lines 10-16); and

Said data accept section accepts link information which is information indicating links of the hypertext (see col.14 lines 42-46).

Regarding claim 5, Shimomura et al. disclose a receiving device, comprising:
a broadcast receiving section receiving data by broadcast means (see col.7 lines 35-46, "ATSC digital television receiver circuit" corresponds to "broadcast receiving section");

a data accept section accepting the data by communication means (see col.14 lines 54-56); wherein:

instruction presence information, an instruction by the communications means, said instruction information being information for notifying the receiving section that there is instruction information which the receiving section is to receive by the communication means (see col.12 lines 52-56), said data accept section accepts the instruction information, and said receiving section includes data execution section executing the instruction indicated by the instruction information accepted by said data accept section (see col.12 lines 52-56).

Regarding claim 6, Shimomura et al. disclose "acquire the mail" (see col.6 lines 17-34, email services includes popup icon).

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Regarding claim 7, Shimomura et al. disclose instruction presence information is information indication indicating presence/absence of information indicating a recording reservation, and said instruction information includes information necessary for a recoding reservation (see col.8 lines 24-42 and col.10 line 10 through col.11 line 6).

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed Tu Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-7883. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:30AM-4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, MAUNG NAY A, can be reached at (571) 272-7882. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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